### Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 41923 VOSS ROAD EXXON, LLC RN101474005 Docket No. 2011-1054-PST-E

**Order Type:** 

1660 Agreed Order

**Findings Order Justification:** 

N/A

Media:

**PST** 

**Small Business:** 

Yes

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

Voss Road Exxon, 1621 South Voss Road, Houston, Harris County

**Type of Operation:** 

Convenience store with retail sales of gasoline

**Other Significant Matters:** 

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: November 4, 2011

Comments Received: No

#### **Penalty Information**

**Total Penalty Assessed:** \$7,929

Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement: \$1,585 Amount Deferred for Financial Inability to Pay: \$0

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$206 Total Due to General Revenue: \$6,138

Payment Plan: 31 payments of \$198 each

**SEP Conditional Offset:** \$0

Name of SEP: N/A

**Compliance History Classifications:** 

Person/CN - Average Site/RN - Average

Major Source: Yes

Statutory Limit Adjustment: N/A

**Applicable Penalty Policy:** September 2002

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#### **Investigation Information**

Complaint Date(s): N/A

**Complaint Information: N/A** 

Date(s) of Investigation: June 17, 2011

Date(s) of NOE(s): June 17, 2011

#### Violation Information

- 1. Failed to monitor the underground storage tanks ("USTs") for releases at a frequency of at least once every month (not to exceed 35 days between each monitoring) [30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(1)(A) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(1)].
- 2. Failed to provide release detection for the piping associated with the USTs. Specifically, the Respondent did not conduct the annual piping tightness test [30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(2) and Tex. Water Code § 26.3475(a)].
- 3. Failed to maintain UST records and make them immediately available for inspection upon request by agency personnel [30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 334.10(b)].

### Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

#### **Corrective Action(s) Completed:**

N/A

## **Technical Requirements:**

The Order will require the Respondent to:

- a. Immediately, begin maintaining all UST records;
- b. Within 30 days, implement a release detection method for all USTs at the Facility, and conduct the annual piping tightness test; and
- c. Within  $45~{\rm days}$ , submit written certification demonstrating compliance.

## Litigation Information

Date Petition(s) Filed: N/A Date Answer(s) Filed: N/A SOAH Referral Date: N/A Hearing Date(s): N/A Settlement Date: N/A

**Contact Information** 

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

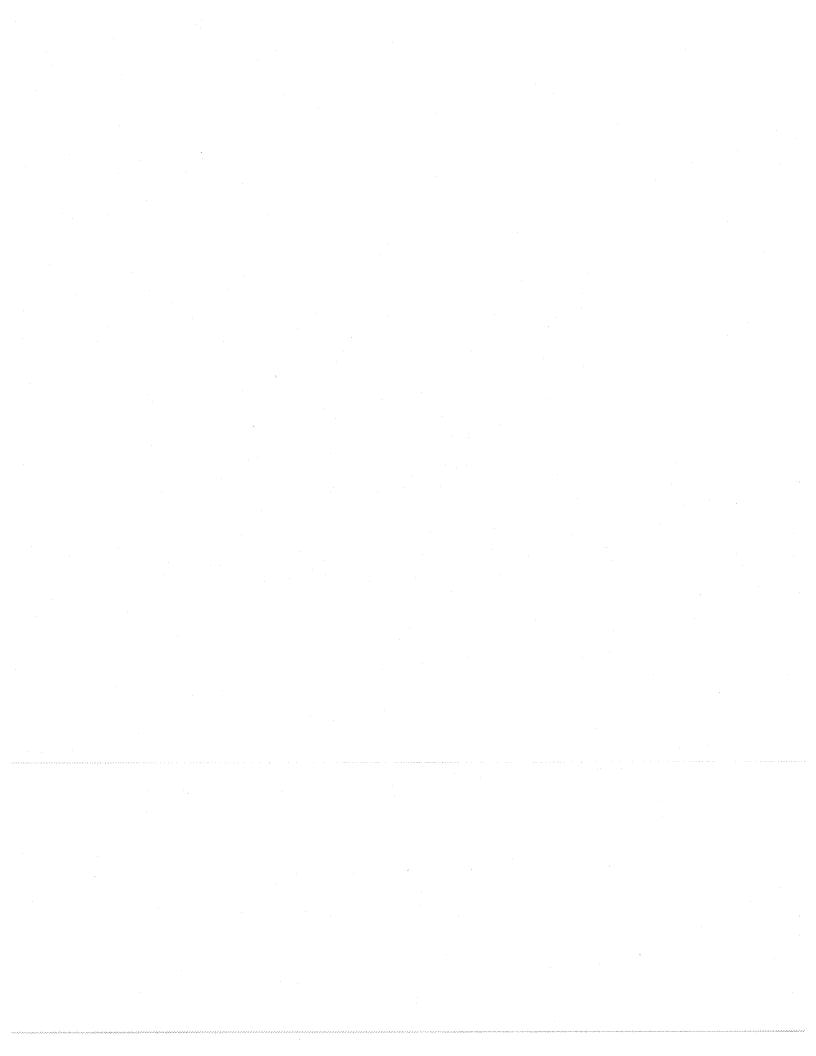
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TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Kimberly Walker, Enforcement Division, Enforcement Team 6, MC 128, (512) 239-2596; Debra Barber, Enforcement Division, MC 219, (512) 239-0412

TCEQ SEP Coordinator: N/A

Respondent: Demos Thanos, President, VOSS ROAD EXXON, LLC, 1621 South Voss

Road, Houston, Texas 77057-2601 **Respondent's Attorney:** N/A



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PAYABLE PENALTY

\$6,344

Policy Revision 2 (September 2002) PCW Revision October 30, 2008

Respondent VOSS ROAD EXXON, LLC

**Case ID No.** 41923

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN101474005

Media [Statute] Petroleum Storage Tank

Enf. Coordinator Cara Windle

Component	Number of	Enter Numbe	r Here	Adjust
NOVs	Written notices of violation ("NOVs") with same or similar violations as those in the current enforcement action (number of NOVs meeting criteria)	0		0%
	Other written NOVs	2		4%
	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (number of orders meeting criteria)	0		0%
Orders	Any adjudicated final enforcement orders, agreed final enforcement orders without a denial of liability, or default orders of this state or the federal government, or any final prohibitory emergency orders issued by the commission	0		0%
Judgments	Any non-adjudicated final court judgments or consent decrees containing a denial of liability of this state or the federal government (number of judgements or consent decrees meeting criteria)	0		0%
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Convictions	Any criminal convictions of this state or the federal government (number of counts)	0		0%
Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events (number of events)	0		0%
Audits	Letters notifying the executive director of an intended audit conducted under the Texas Environmental, Health, and Safety Audit Privilege Act, 74th Legislature, 1995 (number of audits for which notices were submitted)	0	: ·	0%
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	Environmental management systems in place for one year or more	No		0%
Other	Voluntary on-site compliance assessments conducted by the executive director under a special assistance program	No		0%
	Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program	No		0%
	Early compliance with, or offer of a product that meets future state or federal government environmental requirements	No		0%
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Screening Date 23-Jun-2011	Docket No. 2011-1054-PST-	
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Notes that are protective of hu	man health or environmental receptors as a result of the	violation.
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	uns violation.	
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		Adjustment	\$7,500
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Buildings				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Engineering/construction				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Land				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Record Keeping System	\$500	17-Jun-2011	23-Feb-2012	0.69	\$17	n/a	\$17
Training/Sampling				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
Remediation/Disposal				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
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Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	n/a	\$0
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Disposal				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Personnel				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
nspection/Reporting/Sampling			7	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies/equipment				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Financial Assurance [2]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
ONE-TIME avoided costs [3]				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other (as needed)				0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Notes for AVOIDED costs							
Approx. Cost of Compliance		\$500			TOTAL		\$17

# **Compliance History**

Custor	mer/Res	ondent/Owner-Ope	erator:	CN603873803	voss	ROAD EXXON, LLC	Classification: AVERAGE	Rating: 1.00
Regula	ated Enti	ty:		RN101474005	Voss F	Road Exxon	Classification: AVERAGE	Site Rating: 1.00
ID Nur	mber(s):			PETROLEUM S REGISTRATION		TANK REC	GISTRATION	26224
Locatio	on:			1621 South Voss	Road, Ho	ouston, Texas 77057		
TCEQ	Region:			REGION 12 - HO	USTON			
Date C	Complian	ce History Prepared	<b>i</b> :	June 29, 2011				
Agenc	y Decisio	on Requiring Compl	iance History:	Enforcement				
Compl	liance Pe	riod:		June 29, 2006 to	June 29,	2011		
TCEQ	Staff Me	mber to Contact for	Additional Info	rmation Regarding t	his Comp	liance History		
Name:	:	Cara Windle		Ph	one:	(512) 239-2581	***************************************	
				Site	Complia	nce History Components		
1. Has	the site	been in existence a	nd/or operation	for the full five year	complian	ce period? Yes		
2. Has	there be	en a (known) chan	ge in ownership	o/operator of the site	during the	e compliance period?	No	
3. If Ye	es, who is	s the current owner	operator?			N/A		
4. If \	Yes, who	was/were the prior	owner(s)/opera	itor(s)?		N/A		
5. Wh	nen did tl	ne change(s) in owr	ner or operator	occur?		N/A	The state of the s	
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B.	Any N/A		of the state of	Texas and the feder	ai govern	ment.		
C.		nic excessive emis	sions events.					
	N/	A						
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		2 12/18/20	07 (60010	08)				
		3 11/09/20	10 (87247	74)				
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- (A) a clear description of how to correctly dispense gasoline using the system:(B) a warning against attempting to continue to refuel after initial shutoff of the system (an indication that the vehicle fuel tank is full).
- F. Environmental audits.

N/A

Type of environmental management systems (EMSs). G.

H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates.

N/A

Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program.

N/A

Early compliance.

N/A

Sites Outside of Texas

N/A

## TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN	§.	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
VOSS ROAD EXXON, LLC	§	
RN101474005	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

#### AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2011-1054-PST-E

#### I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

At its \_\_\_\_\_\_ agenda, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("the Commission" or "TCEQ") considered this agreement of the parties, resolving an enforcement action regarding VOSS ROAD EXXON, LLC ("the Respondent") under the authority of Tex. Water Code chs. 7 and 26. The Executive Director of the TCEQ, through the Enforcement Division, and the Respondent appear before the Commission and together stipulate that:

- 1. The Respondent owns and operates a convenience store with retail sales of gasoline at 1621 South Voss Road in Houston, Harris County, Texas (the "Facility").
- 2. The Respondent's five underground storage tanks ("USTs") are not exempt or excluded from regulation under the Texas Water Code or the rules of the Commission.
- 3. The Commission and the Respondent agree that the Commission has jurisdiction to enter this Agreed Order, and that the Respondent is subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.
- 4. The Respondent received notice of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations") on or about June 22, 2011.
- 5. The occurrence of any violation is in dispute and the entry of this Agreed Order shall not constitute an admission by the Respondent of any violation alleged in Section II ("Allegations"), nor of any statute or rule.
- 6. An administrative penalty in the amount of Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars (\$7,929) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations"). The Respondent has paid Two Hundred Six Dollars (\$206) of

the administrative penalty and One Thousand Five Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars (\$1,585) is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Agreed Order. The deferred amount will be waived upon full compliance with the terms of this Agreed Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with all requirements of this Agreed Order, the Executive Director may require the Respondent to pay all or part of the deferred penalty.

The remaining amount of Six Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$6,138) of the administrative penalty shall be payable in 31 monthly payments of One Hundred Ninety-Eight Dollars (\$198) each. The next monthly payment shall be paid within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order. The subsequent payments shall each be paid not later than 30 days following the due date of the previous payment until paid in full. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with the payment requirements of this Agreed Order, the Executive Director may, at the Executive Director's option, accelerate the maturity of the remaining installments, in which event the unpaid balance shall become immediately due and payable without demand or notice. In addition, the failure of the Respondent to meet the payment schedule of this Agreed Order constitutes the failure by the Respondent to timely and satisfactorily comply with all the terms of this Agreed Order.

- 7. Any notice and procedures, which might otherwise be authorized or required in this action, are waived in the interest of a more timely resolution of the matter.
- 8. The Executive Director of the TCEQ and the Respondent have agreed on a settlement of the matters alleged in this enforcement action, subject to the approval of the Commission.
- 9. The Executive Director may, without further notice or hearing, refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings if the Executive Director determines that the Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Agreed Order.
- 10. This Agreed Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order, whichever is later.
- 11. The provisions of this Agreed Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Agreed Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.

#### II. ALLEGATIONS

As owner and operator of the Facility, the Respondent is alleged to have:

1. Failed to monitor the USTs for releases at a frequency of at least once every month (not to exceed 35 days between each monitoring), in violation of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 334.50(b)(1)(A) and TEX. WATER CODE § 26.3475(c)(1), as documented during a record review conducted on June 17, 2011.

- 2. Failed to provide release detection for the piping associated with the USTs, in violation of 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 334.50(b)(2) and Tex. Water Code § 26.3475(a), as documented during a record review conducted on June 17, 2011. Specifically, the Respondent did not conduct the annual piping tightness test.
- 3. Failed to maintain UST records and make them immediately available for inspection upon request by agency personnel, in violation of 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 334.10(b), as documented during a record review conducted on June 17, 2011.

#### III. DENIALS

The Respondent generally denies each allegation in Section II ("Allegations").

#### IV. ORDERING PROVISIONS

1. It is, therefore, ordered by the TCEQ that the Respondent pay an administrative penalty as set forth in Section I, Paragraph 6 above. The payment of this administrative penalty and the Respondent's compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order resolve only the allegations in Section II. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective action or penalties for violations which are not raised here. Administrative penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: VOSS ROAD EXXON, LLC, Docket No. 2011-1054-PST-E" to:

Financial Administration Division, Revenues Section Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13088 Austin, Texas 78711-3088

- 2. It is further ordered that the Respondent shall undertake the following technical requirements:
  - a. Immediately upon the effective date of this Agreed Order, begin maintaining all UST records, in accordance with 30 Tex. ADMIN. CODE § 334.10;
  - b. Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, implement a release detection method for all USTs at the Facility, and conduct the annual piping tightness test, in accordance with 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 334.50; and
  - c. Within 45 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, submit written certification as described below, and include detailed supporting documentation including photographs, receipts, and/or other records to demonstrate compliance with Ordering Provision Nos. 2.a. and 2.b. The certification shall be notarized by a State of Texas Notary Public and include the following certification language:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted and all attached documents, and that based on

my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing violations."

The certification shall be submitted to:

Order Compliance Team Enforcement Division, MC 149A Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

with a copy to:

Waste Section Manager Houston Regional Office Texas Commission on Environmental Quality 5425 Polk Avenue, Suite H Houston, Texas 77023-1486

- 3. The provisions of this Agreed Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondent. The Respondent is ordered to give notice of the Agreed Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Facility operations referenced in this Agreed Order.
- 4. If the Respondent fails to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Agreed Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, the Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Agreed Order. The Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. The Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after the Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.
- 5. The Executive Director may grant an extension of any deadline in this Agreed Order or in any plan, report, or other document submitted pursuant to this Agreed Order, upon a written and substantiated showing of good cause. All requests for extensions by the Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until the Respondent receives written approval from the Executive Director. The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director.
- 6. This Agreed Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondent in a civil proceeding, unless the proceeding is brought by the OAG to: (1) enforce the terms of this Agreed Order; or (2) pursue violations of a statute within the Commission's jurisdiction, or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the Commission under such a statute.

- 7. This Agreed Order may be executed in separate and multiple counterparts, which together shall constitute a single instrument. Any page of this Agreed Order may be copied, scanned, digitized, converted to electronic portable document format ("pdf"), or otherwise reproduced and may be transmitted by digital or electronic transmission, including but not limited to facsimile transmission and electronic mail. Any signature affixed to this Agreed Order shall constitute an original signature for all purposes and may be used, filed, substituted, or issued for any purpose for which an original signature could be used. The term "signature" shall include manual signatures and true and accurate reproductions of manual signatures created, executed, endorsed, adopted, or authorized by the person or persons to whom the signatures are attributable. Signatures may be copied or reproduced digitally, electronically, by photocopying, engraving, imprinting, lithographing, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, stamping, or any other means or process which the Executive Director deems acceptable. In this paragraph exclusively, the terms "electronic transmission", "owner", "person", "writing", and "written" shall have the meanings assigned to them under TEX, BUS, ORG, CODE § 1.002.
- 8. Under 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.10(b), the effective date is the date of hand-delivery of the Order to the Respondent, or three days after the date on which the Commission mails notice of the Order to the Respondent, whichever is earlier. The Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of this Agreed Order to each of the parties.

## SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission
Posthe Executive Director $u/3/11$ Date
I, the undersigned, have read and understand the attached Agreed Order. I am authorized to agree to the attached Agreed Order on behalf of the entity indicated below my signature, and I do agree to the terms and conditions specified therein. I further acknowledge that the TCEQ, in accepting payment for the penalty amount, is materially relying on such representation.
<ul> <li>I also understand that failure to comply with the Ordering Provisions, if any, in this order and/or failure to timely pay the penalty amount, may result in:</li> <li>A negative impact on compliance history;</li> <li>Greater scrutiny of any permit applications submitted;</li> <li>Referral of this case to the Attorney General's Office for contempt, injunctive relief, additional penalties, and/or attorney fees, or to a collection agency;</li> <li>Increased penalties in any future enforcement actions;</li> <li>Automatic referral to the Attorney General's Office of any future enforcement actions; and</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized by law.</li> <li>In addition, any falsification of any compliance documents may result in criminal prosecution.</li> </ul>
Signature Black Date
Name (Printed or typed)  President  Title
Authorized Representative of
VOSS ROAD EXXON, LLC

**Instructions**: Send the original, signed Agreed Order with penalty payment to the Financial Administration Division, Revenues Section at the address in Section IV, Paragraph 1 of this Agreed Order.